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Via ECF & Email

Hon. Jesse M. Furman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

> Re: United States v. Mustapha Raji 19 Cr. 870 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

Application GRANTED (without happiness). Trial is ADJOURNED to September 12, 2022. Time is excluded under the Speedy Trial Act between today and September 12, 2022, to ensure continuity of counsel and allow the parties to prepare for trial. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate ECF No. 75. SO ORDERED.

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March 10, 2022

I am the attorney for Mustapha Raji, the defendant in the above-referenced matter. Trial in this case is scheduled for April 26, 2022. This letter is respectfully submitted to inform the Court of an unforeseen scheduling conflict and to request, without objection from the government, to postpone trial.

I was previously scheduled to begin trial in *United States v. Christian Pabon*, 18 Cr. 319 (SHS) on May 16, 2022. Yesterday, I was informed by court order that the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Resumption of Jury Trials has advanced the *Pabon* case to May 2, 2022. *See* 18 Cr. 319 (SHS) (Dkt. 481). *Pabon* is a murder racketeering case from 2018 and the defendant is incarcerated. Because I am unable to try both of these cases at the same time, it is respectfully requested that trial in the instant matter be postponed. I have conferred with the government, by AUSA Dina McLeod, and if the Court grants this application, the parties are available to try this case at any time from **June 28 through July 22, 2022, or August 29 through September 23, 2022**. Mr. Raji consents to the exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act in order to continue plea negotiations as well as trial preparation.

If the Court has any questions regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted, /s/
Jeremy Schneider

cc: AUSA Dina McLleod (By ECF & Email)